



June 28, 2017

Via ECFS:

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Office of Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Re: WC Docket No. 14-58, 10-90 & 11-42 Annual §54.313/54.422 Report of High-Cost and Low
Income Recipient, Form 481

Dear Ms. Dortch:


Enclosed herein is the annual report for The Ponderosa Telephone Co., Study Area Code 542332 pursuant
to §54.313/54.422 of the Commission's rules.

Please treat certain sections of this filing as confidential – Subject to Protective Order in WC Docket Nos.
10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, 14-58, CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45, GN Docket No. 09-51, WT Docket
No. 10-208, before the Federal Communications Commission.

Please contact Dan Douglas with any questions at:

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Sincerely,


E. L. Silkwood
Chairperson

Enclosures

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**FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting
Data Collection Form**FCC Form 481
OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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	Form Type	54.313 and 54.422

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Yes

-- See attached worksheet --

**(300) Unfulfilled Service Request
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<300> Unfulfilled service request (voice)

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542332ca310.pdf

<310> Detail on attempts (voice)

Name of Attached Document

<320> Unfulfilled service request (broadband)

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542332ca330.pdf

<330> Detail on attempts (broadband)

Name of Attached Document

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<400>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report voice complaints (zero or greater) for voice telephony service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize. Offered only fixed voice	
<410>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed voice	0.13
<420>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile voice	
<430>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report end-user customer complaints (zero or greater) for broadband service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize. Offered only fixed broadband	
<440>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed broadband	0.0
<450>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile broadband	

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<500>	Certify compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules	Yes
542332ca510.pdf		
<510>	Descriptive document for Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance	
<515>	Certify compliance with applicable minimum service standards	

(600) Functionality in Emergency Situations		FCC Form 481
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<600>	Certify compliance regarding ability to function in emergency situations	Yes
<610>	Descriptive document for Functionality in Emergency Situations	542332ca610.pdf

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<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date	1/1/2017
<702>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	

-- See attached worksheet

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**(800) Operating Companies
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<810>	Reporting Carrier	The Ponderosa Telephone Co.
<811>	Holding Company	Ponderosa Communications, Inc.
<812>	Operating Company	The Ponderosa Telephone Co.

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**(900) Tribal Lands Reporting
Data Collection Form**

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<900> Does the filing entity offer tribal land services? (Y/N) Yes

<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

 Table Mountain Rancheria of California,
 Cold Spring Rancheria of Mono Indians,
 North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians of California,
 Big Sandy Rancheria of Mono Indians

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

542332ca920.pdf

Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes, No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached PDF, on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select Yes or No or Not Applicable
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

**(1000) Voice and Broadband Service Rate Comparability
Data Collection Form**

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<1000> Voice services rate comparability certification Yes

<1010> Attach detailed description for voice services rate comparability compliance

Name of Attached Document

<1020> Broadband comparability certification Yes - Pricing is no more than the most recent applicable benchmark announced by the Wireline Competition Bureau

<1030> Attach detailed description for broadband comparability compliance

Name of Attached Document

**(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting
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<1100> Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N)

Yes

<1130> Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).

(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers
Lifeline
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542332ca1210.pdf

Name of Attached Document

<1220> Link to Public Website

HTTP <http://www.goponderosa/regulatory.html>

"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

- | | | |
|--------|---|-------------------------------------|
| <1221> | Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers, | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <1222> | Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <1223> | Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

(2005) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation

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Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

<p><2011> 3rd Year Certification 47 CFR §54.313(b)(1)(ii) - Note that for the July 2017 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients of Incremental Support.</p> <p><2022> Recipient certifies, representing year three after filing a notice of acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the locations in question are not receiving support under the Broadband Initiatives Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for projects that will provide broadband with speeds of at least 4 Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients only.</p> <p><2023> The attachment on line 2024 includes a statement of the total amount of capital funding expended in the previous year in meeting Connect America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanied by a list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent. This covers year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.</p> <p><2024A> Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?</p> <p><2024B> Attach list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent in year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.</p> <p><2025A> Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?</p> <p><2025B> Attach geocoded Information for Phase I milestone reports (Round 2 for year three) - Connect America Fund , WC Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-73, paragraph 35 (May 22, 2013).</p> <p><2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4)</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 60px; width: 150px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 60px; width: 150px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 60px; width: 150px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div>
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(2005) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation

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Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}

<2016> Certification support used to build broadband

Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}

<2017A> Connect America Fund Phase II recipient?

<2017C> Total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price cap carrier used for capital expenditures in 2016.

<2018> Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(A)

Name of Attached Document Listing
Required Information

<2019> Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(C)

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Select from the drop down menu or check the boxes below to note compliance with 54.313(f)(1). Privately held carriers must ensure compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

(3009)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii)		
		Yes - Attach Certification	
(3010A)	Certification of Public Interest Obligations {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}		
(3010B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	542332ca3010b.pdf
(3012A)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	No - No New Community Anchors	
(3012B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)}	(Yes/No)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:			
(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3016)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	542332ca3017.pdf
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?	(Yes/No)	<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:			
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3020)	(2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3021)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3022)	Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit.		<input type="checkbox"/>
If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:			
(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3023)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3025)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)

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Financial Data Summary

(3027) Revenue	19537752
(3028) Operating Expenses	13341025
(3029) Net Income	3101781
(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)	129376324
(3031) Total Assets	57722761
(3032) Total Debt	17426515
(3033) Total Equity	40490378
(3034) Dividends	2547563

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4005 Rural Broadband Experiment

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

Public Interest Obligations – FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)

Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission’s public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

4001. Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

Community Anchor Institutions – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

4003a. RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003B.

4003b. Provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 80)

4004a. Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing deadline for the FCC Form 481.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

4004b. Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing, offered broadband speed and data usage allowances available in the relevant geographic area.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

**Certification - Reporting Carrier
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier: THE PONDEROSA TEL CO	
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date 06/29/2017
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Kristann Mattes	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: President	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 5598686346 ext.	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 542332	Filing Due Date for this form: 07/03/2017
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

**Certification - Agent / Carrier
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) _____ is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.	
Name of Authorized Agent:	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date:
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Name of Authorized Agent Firm:	
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Date:
Name of Authorized Agent Employee:	
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	
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Attachments

(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date	1/1/2017
<702>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	

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	CA	O'Neals	65.95	0.0	65.95	12.0	1.5	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	65.95	0.0	65.95	12.0	1.5	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	65.95	0.0	65.95	12.0	1.5	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	59.95	0.0	59.95	12.0	1.5	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	65.95	0.0	65.95	12.0	1.5	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	65.95	0.0	65.95	12.0	1.5	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	65.95	0.0	65.95	12.0	1.5	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	O'Neals	59.95	0.0	59.95	12.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	59.95	0.0	59.95	12.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	59.95	0.0	59.95	12.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	59.95	0.0	59.95	12.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	59.95	0.0	59.95	12.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	59.95	0.0	59.95	12.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	59.95	0.0	59.95	12.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	O'Neals	72.95	0.0	72.95	15.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	72.95	0.0	72.95	15.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	72.95	0.0	72.95	15.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	72.95	0.0	72.95	15.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	72.95	0.0	72.95	15.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	72.95	0.0	72.95	15.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	72.95	0.0	72.95	15.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken

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	CA	O'Neals	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	O'Neals	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	77.95	0.0	77.95	18.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	O'Neals	74.95	0.0	74.95	24.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	74.95	0.0	74.95	24.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	74.95	0.0	74.95	24.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	74.95	0.0	74.95	24.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	74.95	0.0	74.95	24.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	74.95	0.0	74.95	24.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	74.95	0.0	74.95	24.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken

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	CA	O'Neals	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	74.95	0.0	74.95	25.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
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	CA	Friant	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	3.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	O'Neals	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	74.95	0.0	74.95	25.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	87.95	0.0	87.95	25.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	O'Neals	144.95	0.0	144.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	144.95	0.0	144.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	144.95	0.0	144.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	144.95	0.0	144.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	144.95	0.0	144.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	144.95	0.0	144.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	144.95	0.0	144.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken

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	CA	O'Neals	112.95	0.0	112.95	50.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	112.95	0.0	112.95	50.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	112.95	0.0	112.95	50.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	112.95	0.0	112.95	50.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	112.95	0.0	112.95	50.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	112.95	0.0	112.95	50.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	112.95	0.0	112.95	50.0	5.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	O'Neals	199.95	0.0	199.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	199.95	0.0	199.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	199.95	0.0	199.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	144.95	0.0	144.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	199.95	0.0	199.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	199.95	0.0	199.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	199.95	0.0	199.95	50.0	20.0	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	O'Neals	49.95	0.0	49.95	6.0	0.768	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Shaver	49.95	0.0	49.95	6.0	0.768	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Wishon	49.95	0.0	49.95	6.0	0.768	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Big Creek	46.95	0.0	46.95	6.0	0.768	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Auberry	49.95	0.0	49.95	6.0	0.768	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	Friant	49.95	0.0	49.95	6.0	0.768	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken
	CA	North Fork	49.95	0.0	49.95	6.0	0.768	999999.0	Other, No Action Taken

(710) Broadband Price Offerings Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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(800) Operating Companies	FCC Form 481
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The Ponderosa Telephone Co. 542332

Form 481, Section 300 Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice)
Sub-Section 310 Detail on Attempts

Three requests for voice service held in the Shaver Exchange were waiting on receipt of a USFS Special Use Permit. The permit was received in March 2017. The Special Use Permit allows construction to begin after July 1, 2017.

One request for voice service is held in the Friant Exchange for ROW and construction. Utility pole attachment authorization has been received. Now waiting on route design from the California State Park and Recreation. Once the route design is received, the engineering job will be put out for construction bid.

One request for voice/broadband service is held in the Big Creek Exchange due to weather related conditions. As of June 6, 2017 there was too much snow accumulated to begin construction. The status is checked weekly.

The Ponderosa Telephone Co. 542332

Form 481, Section 300 Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband)
Sub-Section 330 Detail on Attempts

One request for voice/broadband service is held in the Big Creek Exchange due to weather related conditions. As of June 6, 2017 there was too much snow accumulated to begin construction. The status is checked weekly.

June 30, 2017

Form 481, Section 500 Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance
Sub-Section 510 Narrative (Voice)

Service Quality Standards

The Ponderosa Telephone Co. ("Ponderosa") is committed to providing the highest quality service to its subscribers and makes every reasonable effort to comply with applicable service quality standards in accordance with the California Public Utilities Commission, General Order 133-D. Ponderosa provides reports and raw data to the California PUC on a quarterly basis as required by G.O. 133-D and has not had to file any corrective action reports.

Consumer Protection

Ponderosa complies with the requirements of 47 CFR Part 64 Subpart U, Customer Proprietary Network Information and the Federal Trade Commission's ("FTC") Red Flag Rules 16 C.F.R. §681 to prevent identity theft. A manual for each of those programs is in place and is part of the employees' handbook. All company employees are required to sign and acknowledge that they have completed CPNI and Red Flag training and understand obligations to adherence of applicable rules. Ponderosa has not experienced any CPNI breaches in the year ending 2016.

Ponderosa also outlines its rates, terms, and conditions under which Ponderosa offers service in its Local Exchange Tariff. The tariff explains customer rights and obligations, customer service, dispute resolution, deposits, billing and payment options, disconnection of service as well as cancellation of service options. Ponderosa keeps its tariffs available for public inspection at its business offices.

Form 481, Section 500 Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance
Sub-Section 510 Narrative (Broadband)

Service Quality Standards

The Ponderosa Telephone Co. ("Ponderosa"), is committed to providing the highest quality service to its subscribers and makes every reasonable effort to comply with applicable service quality standards in accordance with State and Federal Rules.

Consumer Protection

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(5) and or 47 C.F.R. § 54.422(b)(3) Ponderosa is in compliance with applicable FCC Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules.

Ponderosa also outlines its rates, terms, and conditions under which Ponderosa offers Broadband service in NECA Tariff #5 to Internet Service Providers ("ISP"). The Tariff explains customer rights and obligations, customer service, dispute resolution, deposits, billing and payment options, disconnection of service as well as cancellation of service options. Public inspection of NECA Tariff #5 can be found on NECA's website. Retail DSL rates, terms, and conditions for retail services are provided by the ISP.

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The Ponderosa Telephone Co. 542332

Form 481, Section 600 Functionality in Emergency Situations
Sub-Section 610 Narrative (Voice)

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Form 481, Section 900 Tribal Lands Reporting

Sub-Sections 920 – 923 Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

The Ponderosa Telephone Co. has written to each of the chairperson(s) that represent the Tribal entities located in Ponderosa serving area, requesting a meeting to discuss how Ponderosa could better service the Tribe's telecommunications needs. In one such case, Ponderosa met again with Tribal representatives of the Big Sandy Rancheria of Mono Indians Tribal Council in May 2016 to continue the dialogue started in 2015 to discuss a range of topics centered on telecommunications. Copies of correspondence and associated notes from the May 2016 meeting are attached for inclusion with this filing.

Ponderosa's communication with the Tribes is consistent with our general customer communication. In addition, Ponderosa has engaged with Tribal entities in support of Tribal functions and fundraisers.

Sub-Sections 924 – 928 Rights of way processes, land use permitting, facilities siting, environmental and cultural preservation review processes.

Copies of several Right of way authorizations are provided as an example of Ponderosa's compliance with this sub-section 924. In addition, attached is a copy of a typical USFS special use permit that lists the operating requirements Ponderosa would be obligated to follow in the situation where Tribal land is impacted by a project.

To the extent construction activity takes place on Tribal land, Ponderosa follows the rules and regulations, processes and procedures, as identified in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 25, Part 169, and those that may be required by the following entities: Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Forest Service, and other local Tribal authorities. Ponderosa is not aware of any violations with regards to activities addressed under sub-sections 925 – 928.

Sub-Section 929 Tribal Business and Licensing requirements

Ponderosa provides service within the serving area, including Tribal lands, as authorized by our CPCN issued by the California Public Utilities Commission. Ponderosa is not aware of any additional Tribal business or licensing requirements that may exist as a condition to conduct business with the Tribal authorities located in Ponderosa serving area.

The Ponderosa Telephone Co. 542332

Form 481, Section 900 Tribal Lands Reporting

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Schedule No. A-26

UNIVERSAL LIFELINE TELEPHONE SERVICE
(California LifeLine Service)

APPLICABILITY

Applicable to eligible residence customers for Universal LifeLine Telephone Service (ULTS) a.k.a. California LifeLine Program or LifeLine furnished pursuant to the Moore Universal Telephone Service Act and in accordance with General Order 153. The Utility as listed throughout this Schedule is identified as the California LifeLine Service Provider in GO 153.

TERRITORY

Within the exchange areas, as said areas are defined on maps filed as part of the tariff schedules

RATES AND CHARGES*

(1) California LifeLine Service:

	<u>Rate Per Month</u>	
a. Qualifying Residents:		
1. Individual Flat Rate Access Line	\$20.25	
2. End User Common Line (EUCL) Charge	6.50	
3. Federal Lifeline Credit	(9.25)	
4. California Specific Support Credit	(11.39)	
5. California LifeLine Flat Rate Service	\$6.11	
b. Qualifying Residents of Tribal Lands:		
1. Individual Flat Rate Access Line	\$20.25	
2. End User Common Line (EUCL) Charge	6.50	
3. Federal Lifeline Credit	(9.25)	
4. Federal Enhanced Lifeline Credit	(17.50)	(I)
5. California Specific Support Credit	(0.00)	(R)
6. California Enhanced LifeLine Flat Rate Service	\$0.00	

* The difference between the rates and charges in this schedule and the regular tariffed rates and charges in Cal. P.U.C. Schedule No. A-21 is recovered from the California ULTS Fund or the Federal Lifeline Program and the Federal Link Up Program. Rates include changes required by FCC Order No. 12-11 for both Federal Lifeline and Link Up support for regular low-income consumers and Enhanced Lifeline and Expanded Link Up support for low-income consumers residing on "Tribal lands".

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(California LifeLine Service)

RATES AND CHARGES*-(Continued)

	<u>Service Charge*</u>	(T)
(2) Service Connection/Conversion Charges:		
a. Each New Service Order for Initial Install:		
1. New Service Order Charge	\$20.00	
2. Central Office Connection Work Charge	<u>21.50</u>	
	41.50	
3. Federal Link Up Credit	.00	(R)
4. California LifeLine Credit	<u>(31.50)</u>	(I)
5. California LifeLine Service Connection Charge	\$10.00	
b. Each New Service Order for Initial Install that require a premises visit to O'Neals, North Fork, or Friant Exchanges:		
1. New Service Order Charge	\$20.00	
2. Central Office Connection Work Charge	21.50	
3. Premises Visit Charge	<u>42.00</u>	
	83.50	
4. Federal Link Up Credit	.00	(R)
5. California LifeLine Credit	<u>(73.50)</u>	(I)
6. California LifeLine Service Connection Charge	\$10.00	
c. Each New Service Order for Initial Install that require a premises visit to Big Creek, Auberry, Shaver Lake, and Wishon Cima Exchanges:		
1. New Service Order Charge	\$20.00	
2. Central Office Connection Work Charge	21.50	
3. Premises Visit Charge	<u>58.75</u>	
	100.25	
4. Federal Link Up Credit	.00	(R)
5. California LifeLine Credit	<u>(90.25)</u>	(I)
6. California LifeLine Service Connection Charge	\$10.00	

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President
TITLE

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UNIVERSAL LIFELINE TELEPHONE SERVICE
(California LifeLine Service)

RATES AND CHARGES*(Continued)

(2) Service Connection/Conversion Charges:

Service Charge*

d. Each Subsequent New Service Order:

1. New Service Order Charge	\$20.00	
2. Central Office Connection Work Charge	<u>21.50</u>	
	41.50	
3. California LifeLine Credit	<u>(31.50)</u>	(T)
4. California LifeLine Service Connection Charge	\$10.00	

e. Each Non-Payment Reconnect Charge:

(see Charges (2)b for charges after 15 days of disconnect)

1. Restoral Charge	\$21.50	
2. California LifeLine Credit	<u>(11.50)</u>	(T)
3. California LifeLine Service Connection Charge	\$10.00	

f. Each change to convert to ULTS:

1. Change Charge	\$10.00	
2. California LifeLine Credit	<u>0.00</u>	
3. California LifeLine Service Conversion Charge	\$10.00	

g. Expanded Link Up (Tribal Lands)

(see Special Conditions 2)

Link Up Initial Install and Line Extension

1. Credits up to:	\$100.00	
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RATES AND CHARGES*(Continued)

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Service Charge*

(3) End User Common Line (EUCL) Charge:

See RATES AND CHARGES
(1) a. and b.

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(4) Surcharges

No Charge

ULTS Rates (1) and (2) are exempt from
California High Cost Fund A (CHCF-A) Surcharge,
California High Cost Fund B (CHCF-B) Surcharge,
California Advanced Services Fund (CASF)
Surcharge, California Teleconnect Fund (CTF)
Surcharge, California Relay Service
Communications Device Fund (DDTP) Surcharge,
the California LifeLine (ULTS) Surcharge, and the
CPUC User Fee

(5) Toll Blocking (also known as Toll Restriction)

No Charge

(6) Deposits (See Special Conditions 8.)

- a. A ULTS customer will not be required to post a deposit to establish or re-establish ULTS basic service.
- b. A deposit may be required to maintain basic service if the Utility discovers the customer no longer qualifies for ULTS.
- c. A deposit may be required for non-basic service(s).
- d. If it is determined that false information has been provided, correct information plus a deposit for non-basic service(s) will be required.

* The difference between the rates and charges in this schedule and the regular tariffed rates and charges in Cal. P.U.C. Schedule No. A-21 is recovered from the California ULTS Fund or the Federal Lifeline Program, and the Federal Link Up Program. Rates include changes required by FCC Order No. 12-11 both Federal Lifeline and Link Up support for regular low-income consumers and Enhanced Lifeline and Expanded Link Up support for low-income consumers residing on "Tribal lands".

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UNIVERSAL LIFELINE TELEPHONE SERVICE
(California LifeLine Service)

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. Eligibility Criteria for Obtaining and Retaining ULTS

- a. The residence at which the service is requested is the subscriber's principal place of residence. An applicant for ULTS may report only one address in this state as his/her principal place of residence

A residence as defined in General Order 153, is that portion of an individual house, building, flat or apartment (a dwelling unit) occupied entirely by a single family or individual functioning as one domestic establishment. A room or portion of a dwelling unit occupied exclusively by an individual not sharing equally as a member of the domestic establishment may be considered a separate residence for the application of ULTS.

- b. The subscriber and the members of the subscriber's household collectively have one, and only one, ULTS line, except as provided for elsewhere in this schedule.
- c. Residential customers may qualify for ULTS by meeting either the Income-Based Criteria or the Program-Based Criteria.
- d. Income-Based Criteria:

Based on current income, the applicant's total household income (defined in Rule 1 Definitions) does not exceed the income levels based on household size for the fiscal year for which the service is furnished.

The California Public Utilities Commission develops the eligibility requirements for qualified households to receive the California Lifeline discounts. The eligibility requirements can be found at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/lifeline/> and https://www.californialifeline.com/en/eligibility_requirements.

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Borrowed money shall not be considered as income when determining eligibility for the ULTS program. Funds transferred from one account to another such as from a savings account to a checking account, shall not be considered as income when determining eligibility for the ULTS program, even if such funds are used for living expenses.

- e. No customer who is claimed as a dependent on another person's income tax return shall be eligible for ULTS.
- f. For self-employed members, the "income from self-employment" shown on IRS Form 1040, Schedule C, line 29 shall be used to determine eligibility for ULTS.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS - Continued

1. Eligibility Criteria for Obtaining and Retaining ULTS: - (Continued)

g. Program-Based Criteria are defined in General Order 153

Program-based criterion allows an applicant to enroll in ULTS based on participation by the applicant or a member of the applicant's household in a means-tested programs approved by the Commission.

The California Public Utilities Commission develops the eligibility requirements for qualified households to receive the California Lifeline discounts. The eligibility requirements can be found at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/lifeline/> and https://www.californialifeline.com/en/eligibility_requirements.

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h. A subscriber shall be eligible to receive two ULTS lines if: (i) the subscriber meets all ULTS eligibility criteria set forth above; (ii) a member of the subscriber's household is a disabled member and has immediate and continuous access within the household to a TTY; and (iii) the TTY is issued by DDTP or a medical certificate indicating the household member's need for a TTY is submitted.

i. All ULTS rules and regulations that apply to the one ULTS line shall apply equally to the second ULTS line provided to a subscriber.

j. Customers that verbally certify they meet the ULTS income limits and have proof of income or participate in an approved public program will receive an Application Form in the mail from the California LifeLine Administrator for completion and submission prior to being enrolled in the ULTS program.

k. The completed Application Form and supporting documents, if any, must be received by the California LifeLine Administrator on or before the deadline date specified in the Application Form.

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UNIVERSAL LIFELINE TELEPHONE SERVICE
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SPECIAL CONDITIONS - Continued

1. Eligibility Criteria for Obtaining and Retaining ULTS :- (Continued)

I. Enrollment Process:

- (a) The Utility shall send a confirmation notice to all California LifeLine applicants informing them of the arrival of Application Forms from the California LifeLine Administrator and the requirement to return the completed form with all required documentation. The notice shall also inform them that failure to return all the required documentation by the deadline date will result in denial of LifeLine service.
- (b) Customers will incur regular tariff rates and charges until the approval of their California LifeLine Application Form process is completed.
- (c) Customers will be converted to LifeLine service upon the Utility receiving confirmation of the customer's eligibility from the California LifeLine Administrator.
- (d) Customers will receive a credit on their bill for the LifeLine discounts retroactive to their application date which will appear on their next bill. The customer may request a refund check for a net credit if the amount is over \$10.00.
- m. The Utility shall not knowingly enroll an applicant into the ULTS program who does not meet the ULTS eligibility criteria and the Utility shall not knowingly allow a subscriber to remain in the ULTS program who does not meet the ULTS eligibility criteria.
- n. The Utility shall not link the availability of discounted phone service under the ULTS program with the sale of non-ULTS services.
- o. The Utility must inform the applicant that he or she may opt to receive the instructions for completing the certification form in Braille (English Only) or instructions and the form in large print.
- p. A subscriber changing his/her Utility shall not be required to undergo the Application Process, provided that the subscriber initiates California LifeLine service with his/her new Utility within 30 days of disconnecting California LifeLine service with the previous Utility and the subscriber maintains eligibility in all other respects. If a subscriber changes his or her principal place of residence, while maintaining eligibility in all other respects, the subscriber shall not be required to go through the Application Process again.
- q. Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.410(d), an applicant applying for discounts from the Universal Lifeline Telephone Service (California LifeLine) program must provide his or her date of birth and the last four digits of his or her SSN on the Application Form provided by the California LifeLine Administrator.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS - Continued

2. Federal Enhanced Lifeline and Expanded Link Up Benefits and Qualification Requirements for Low-income Consumers Living on Tribal Lands. (T)

a. Description

The following Enhanced Lifeline and Expanded Link Up program benefits and qualification standards apply to all low-income residence subscribers residing on "Tribal lands" as the same are from time to time defined by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs.. (C)

b. Qualifications

In addition to the qualification standards set out in Section 1 preceding for Enhanced Lifeline and Expanded Link Up program participants, residents on "Tribal lands" may qualify for these programs if they participate in any one of the following federal assistance programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs general assistance; Tribally administered Temporary Assistance for needy families; Head Start (only those meeting it's income qualifying standard); or National School Lunch Program's free lunch program. Those who qualify under the provisions of this paragraph must provide written certification of such qualification under penalty of perjury and must further agree to notify the Company if the customer ceases to participate in the program or programs. (C)

c. Lifeline and Link Up Benefits

Additional federal Enhanced Lifeline support will be provided to reduce the qualifying customer's basic monthly service rate to \$0.00 per month, inclusive of the federal End-User Common Line charge. (C)

A 100% reduction of up to \$100.00 is available to cover the customary charges for commencing telecommunications service at the principal place of residence of the eligible residential customer, provided that the place of residence is located on "Tribal lands," as the same are from time to time defined by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This reduction can be applied to both the extension and service connection charges.. (C)

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3. Universal LifeLine Telephone Service (ULTS) is available to eligible customers subscribing to flat rate individual line service.
4. ULTS includes all the service elements defined in Rule No. 1 for Basic Service.
5. ULTS is restricted to residence local exchange service including all applicable extended area service. Foreign Exchange Services are excluded from this offering.
6. Discounted Non-recurring Charges

a. Service Connection Charge

- (1) The ULTS connection charge is applicable to each eligible household residing at the same principal place of residence. (T)

- (2) The ULTS connection charge may be applicable any time a subscriber (T)

- (a) establishes ULTS,
- (b) re-establishes ULTS at the same residence at which ULTS was previously provided, regardless of reason for disconnect,
- (c) establishes ULTS at a new residence, or
- (d) switches ULTS from one utility to another.

- (3) Utilities may not impose a "central office charge" in addition to the ULTS connection charge when installing ULTS or activating California LifeLine. (T)

- (4) Installation of a second and subsequent telephone service connections shall be subject to the Utility's regular tariffed rates for these connections, except that subscribers with a disabled household member may qualify for ULTS connection charges on two residential telephone connections. (T)
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b. Service Change/Conversion Charge

The ULTS change/conversion charge is applicable each time a ULTS subscriber requests a change in the class (business or residential to ULTS), type (this means measured to flat rate service or vice versa, which is not applicable in our territory), or grade of service (this means going from one to two party service or vice versa, which is not applicable in our territory), including requests to change from Foreign Exchange Service. There is no limit on the number of times a ULTS subscriber may pay the ULTS conversion charge to change the class, type, or grade of service. This discounted charge excludes adding services not covered under the ULTS program. No conversion charge is assessed if a LifeLine applicant fails to qualify or if a LifeLine subscriber is removed from the LifeLine program (either voluntarily or involuntarily). (T)
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7. Eligible subscribers of this service may arrange a deferred schedule of up to twelve months to pay the Utility for the reduced service connection charges without interest. The Utility may charge a late-payment fee when Universal LifeLine Telephone Service (ULTS) subscribers fail to timely remit some or all of the ULTS connection charge under a deferred-payment schedule. (T)
 8. Deposits for establishment of service from applicants for new service, as outlined in Cal. P.U.C. Rule No. 7, will be waived for eligible recipients to ULTS. The Utility may require a ULTS customer to pay any overdue ULTS rates and charges, or make payment arrangements, before ULTS is reinstated at the same address or at a new address. The Utility may apply toll restriction to a ULTS customer's line when toll charges are not paid and optional services may be discontinued. (T)
 9. ULTS shall be subject to the conditions set forth in Cal. P.U.C. Rule No. 11, Discontinuance and Restoration of Service. Unless the customer directs otherwise, a partial payment will be applied towards the local service non-recurring and recurring charges, and federal taxes first, and the remaining amounts will be applied to toll service and other services at the Utility's discretion. (T)
 10. New applicants for telephone service will be advised of the availability of ULTS. Applicants who wish to re-establish ULTS service after removal from the program will be treated as a new applicant, subject to the Application Process and General Order 153 rules, and a Service Conversion Charge as shown in RATES above (once the applicant has successfully re-established ULTS service). The ULTS discount will be effective on the Application Date, and not be applied retroactively to the date of prior enrollment period. (T)
- ULTS subscribers must notify the Utility of any change that causes the ULTS customer to no longer qualify for (1) ULTS, or (2) a second ULTS line. Upon receipt of notification, the Utility will change ULTS to regular tariffed rates and charges for the services furnished. No service conversion charges shall be billed to the customer for this change in service. The regular tariffed rates will be billed retroactively to the date the ULTS service no longer applied. The three-month limitation to back-bill, as set forth in Rule No. 9, is not applicable to the recurring and nonrecurring charges. If reduced service connection charges were applied, the difference between reduced charges and regular tariffed charges will be billed to the applicant. (T)
11. The California LifeLine Administrator will qualify new ULTS customers and verify the continued eligibility of existing ULTS customers. (T)

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12. Toll-free access is available to customer service representatives fluent in the same language in which the Universal LifeLine Telephone Service (ULTS) was originally sold.
13. Each ULTS customer is subject to the annual renewal process. (T)
14. The Utility will annually mail a notification of availability of Universal Lifeline Telephone Service (ULTS) to all its residential customers. (T)
15. In addition to the rates and conditions specified herein, all rules, regulations, charges, and rates in conjunction with the services furnished elsewhere in the tariffs are also applicable to the service provided under this schedule.
16. Optional services and equipment are not included in ULTS rates, but will be provided to ULTS customers at applicable tariffed rates and charges.
17. ULTS rates shall be applied to each monthly statement for the months this service is furnished and shall apply only for the duration of this service.

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18. Definitions covered under the California LifeLine Program and words used throughout this Schedule are defined in GO153. (N)
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19. Each ULTS customer shall be eligible for one or two ULTS lines as set forth in General Order 153, and ULTS customers may subscribe to additional non-ULTS lines. Non-ULTS lines will be available to ULTS customers at the applicable regular tariffed rates and charges.

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Rule No. 1

DEFINITIONS
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Toll Message: A completed telephone call or telephonic communication between exchange stations when the called station is not within the local service area of the calling station, between toll stations, or between a toll station and an exchange station.

Total Household Income: "Income" as gross income as defined under section 61 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 USC §61, for all members of the household. This means all income actually received by all members of the household from whatever source derived, unless specifically excluded by the Internal Revenue Code, Part III of Title 26, 26 USC §101 et. Seq.

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Touch Calling Service: A service arrangement permitting the use of push-button equipped telephone instruments in lieu of rotary dial equipped telephone instruments to originate calls.

Trade Name: The name or style under which an individual or concern conducts its business and by which it is generally known to the public.

Transmission Limits: Standard transmission limits as used herein is an airline distance of one-half mile measured from the primary station or PBX switchboard.

Trenching Costs: Cost of excavating, backfilling, and compacting, and where necessary, cost of breaking and repaving pavement and of restoring landscaping.

Trunk Hunting Service: (See Hunting Service).

Trunk Line: A telephone circuit from one central office to another or between a PBX system and a Utility central office.

Underground Supporting Structure: Conduit, manholes, handholes, and pull boxes where and as required plug trenching costs as defined in Trenching Costs above.

Utility: The Public Utility named herein.

Utility Network Cross-Connects (UNCs): Wires that connect the Utility's building entrance terminal to the Utility's network access termination point. Thus is also known as Network Termination Wire (NTW). (See Network Terminating Wire)

Wall Set:

Zone:

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June 20, 2017

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Office of Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
9300 East Hampton Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

Re: WC Docket No. 14-58, 10-90 & 11-42 Annual Report, Form 481 for High-Cost and Low Income Recipient, 54.313(f)(1) "Milestone Certification"

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In compliance with the filing requirements associated with, and attached to Form 481, we wish to advise the Commission that The Ponderosa Telephone Co., 542332:

- Has taken reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream;
- Provides latency suitable for real-time applications including VoIP and usage capacity which is reasonably comparable to those in urban areas;
- That reasonable requests for service are met within a reasonable timeframe.

Please contact Dan Douglas with any questions. He can be reached at:

Phone: 559-868-6395
Email: dand@ponderosatel.com

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Boos
General Manager

The Ponderosa Telephone Co., 542332

Form 481, Section 3012 Community Anchor Institutions

Access to broadband services was available prior to 2016 to all known anchor institutions and all requests for broadband services (save one service request noted in Section 330) were fulfilled in 2016. The Ponderosa Telephone Co. continues to monitor customer demand and technological innovation, planning to size its network in anticipation of requests for higher speed broadband services.

USDA-RUS OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS		<i>This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. Your response is required by 7 U.S.C. 901 et seq. and, subject to federal laws and regulations regarding confidential information, will be treated as confidential.</i> BORROWER NAME The Ponderosa Telephone Co.			
INSTRUCTIONS -Submit report to RUS within 30 days after close of the period. For detailed instructions, see RUS Bulletin 1744-2. Report in whole dollars only.		PERIOD ENDING December, 2016	BORROWER DESIGNATION CA0526		
CERTIFICATION We hereby certify that the entries in this report are in accordance with the accounts and other records of the system and reflect the status of the system to the best of our knowledge and belief. ALL INSURANCE REQUIRED BY 7 CFR PART 1788, CHAPTER XVII, RUS, WAS IN FORCE DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD AND RENEWALS HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FOR ALL POLICIES. DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER XVII (Check one of the following)					
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> All of the obligations under the RUS loan documents have been fulfilled in all material respects. </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> There has been a default in the fulfillment of the obligations under the RUS loan documents. Said default(s) is/are specifically described in the Telecom Operating Report </div> </div>					
DATE _____					
PART A. BALANCE SHEET					
ASSETS	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD
CURRENT ASSETS			CURRENT LIABILITIES		
1. Cash and Equivalents	26,166,386	25,490,095	25. Accounts Payable	2,826,334	2,911,382
2. Cash-RUS Construction Fund	1,706,328	299,693	26. Notes Payable		
3. Affiliates:			27. Advance Billings and Payments	213,678	209,873
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			28. Customer Deposits	18,125	21,941
b. Other Accounts Receivable	537,966	620,258	29. Current Mat. L/T Debt	2,004,522	2,064,692
c. Notes Receivable			30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.		
4. Non-Affiliates:			31. Current Mat.-Capital Leases		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable	637,280	635,722	32. Income Taxes Accrued	(111,294)	(1,153,465)
b. Other Accounts Receivable	2,697,423	2,051,598	33. Other Taxes Accrued		
c. Notes Receivable	13,268	15,091	34. Other Current Liabilities	369,836	408,184
5. Interest and Dividends Receivable			35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)	5,321,201	4,462,607
6. Material-Regulated	277,115	412,756	LONG-TERM DEBT		
7. Material-Nonregulated			36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes	17,426,600	15,361,823
8. Prepayments	1,773,039	2,174,448	37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes		
9. Other Current Assets			38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes		
10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)	33,808,805	31,699,661	39. Funded Debt-Other		
NONCURRENT ASSETS			40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan		
11. Investment in Affiliated Companies			41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt		
a. Rural Development			42. Reacquired Debt		
b. Nonrural Development			43. Obligations Under Capital Lease		
12. Other Investments			44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies		
a. Rural Development			45. Other Long-Term Debt		
b. Nonrural Development	4,430,097	5,231,006	46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)	17,426,600	15,361,823
13. Nonregulated Investments	166,400	166,400	OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS		
14. Other Noncurrent Assets			47. Other Long-Term Liabilities		
15. Deferred Charges	41,671	220,374	48. Other Deferred Credits	(3,265,102)	(2,592,047)
16. Jurisdictional Differences			49. Other Jurisdictional Differences		
17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)	4,638,168	5,617,780	50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)	(3,265,102)	(2,592,047)
PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT			EQUITY		
18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service	127,318,959	129,376,324	51. Cap. Stock Outstanding & Subscribed	853,780	853,780
19. Property Held for Future Use			52. Additional Paid-in-Capital		
20. Plant Under Construction	2,050,848	1,766,299	53. Treasury Stock		
21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill	80,777	80,777	54. Membership and Cap. Certificates		
22. Less Accumulated Depreciation	108,693,316	110,818,080	55. Other Capital		
23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)	20,757,268	20,405,320	56. Patronage Capital Credits		
24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)			57. Retained Earnings or Margins	38,867,762	39,636,598
	59,204,241	57,722,761	58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)	39,721,542	40,490,378
			59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)	59,204,241	57,722,761

Total Equity = 70.15% % of Total Assets

USDA-RUS OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS		BORROWER DESIGNATION CA0526
INSTRUCTIONS- See RUS Bulletin 1744-2		PERIOD ENDING December, 2016
PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS		
ITEM	PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR
1. Local Network Services Revenues	6,209,681	5,662,958
2. Network Access Services Revenues	14,594,522	13,432,607
3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues		
4. Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues	85,149	75,706
5. Miscellaneous Revenues	436,610	370,814
6. Uncollectible Revenues	(2,368)	4,333
7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)	21,328,330	19,537,752
8. Plant Specific Operations Expense	3,811,523	3,671,470
9. Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization)	1,946,736	2,005,151
10. Depreciation Expense	5,149,534	4,255,083
11. Amortization Expense		
12. Customer Operations Expense	1,083,162	1,060,522
13. Corporate Operations Expense	2,446,250	2,348,799
14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)	14,437,205	13,341,025
15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)	6,891,125	6,196,727
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses		
17. State and Local Taxes	555,904	497,985
18. Federal Income Taxes	1,945,225	1,740,045
19. Other Taxes	388,745	363,840
20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)	2,889,874	2,601,870
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)	4,001,251	3,594,857
22. Interest on Funded Debt	610,916	538,399
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases		
24. Other Interest Expense	(510)	629
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction	29,650	5,367
26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)	580,756	533,661
27. Nonoperating Net Income	917,069	181,932
28. Extraordinary Items		
29. Jurisdictional Differences		
30. Nonregulated Net Income	(81,344)	(141,347)
31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)	4,256,220	3,101,781
32. Total Taxes Based on Income	2,769,344	2,006,132
33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year	38,007,097	38,867,762
34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date		214,618
35. Dividends Declared (Common)	2,500,000	2,500,000
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)	47,563	47,563
37. Other Debits Year-to-Date	847,992	
38. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
39. Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36+37+38)]	38,867,762	39,636,598
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year		
41. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired		
43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)	0	0
44. Annual Debt Service Payments	2,503,868	2,543,063
45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7]	0.5710	0.5982
46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7]	0.8396	0.8433
47. TIER [(31+26) / 26]	8.3288	6.8123
48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]	3.9884	3.1028

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PART I – STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS		
1.	Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)	27,872,714
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
2.	Net Income	3,101,781
<i>Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</i>		
3.	Add: Depreciation	4,255,083
4.	Add: Amortization	0
5.	Other (Explain) Non Cash items including Deferred Income Taxes	344,742
<i>Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities</i>		
6.	Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable	565,091
7.	Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory	(135,641)
8.	Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges	(580,112)
9.	Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets	0
10.	Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	85,048
11.	Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments	(3,805)
12.	Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities	(1,003,823)
13.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations	6,628,364
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
14.	Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable	(1,823)
15.	Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable	0
16.	Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits	3,816
17.	Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities)	(2,004,607)
18.	Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits	673,055
19.	Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital	0
20.	Less: Payment of Dividends	(2,547,563)
21.	Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired	0
22.	Other (Explain)	
23.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities	(3,877,122)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
24.	Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)	(1,772,816)
25.	Other Long-Term Investments	(800,909)
26.	Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences	0
27.	Other (Explain) Plant retirement impacts, salvage, and costs of removal	(2,260,443)
28.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities	(4,834,168)
29.	Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	(2,082,926)
30.	Ending Cash	25,789,788

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To the Board of Directors
The Ponderosa Telephone Co.
O'Neals, California

We have audited the financial statements of The Ponderosa Telephone Co. as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and have issued our report thereon dated November 30, 2016. Professional standards and the Rural Development Utilities Program's (RDUP) Policy on Audits of RDUP Borrowers (7 CFR 1773.20) require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information to you in our engagement letter dated June 27, 2016. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies.

The significant accounting policies of the Company are described in footnotes to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the year ended June 30, 2016. We noted no transactions entered into by the Company during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected.

The only sensitive accounting estimates included in the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2016, relate to the estimates for depreciation, employee benefits and certain regulatory revenues. As part of our audit, we compared the Company's depreciation rates to average rates used within the telecommunications industry. We have also discussed with management the Company's long-range plant replacement plans and have determined the current depreciation rates to be consistent with those plans. We also compared the reporting of employee benefit accruals to information provided by the Company's actuary. See Notes 1 and 16 to the financial statements regarding the Company's revenue recognition policies and various regulatory proceedings.

The disclosures in the financial statements are neutral, consistent and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated November 30, 2016.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Company's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Company's auditor. However, these communications occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and to our knowledge our responses were not a condition to our retention.

This letter is intended solely for the information and use of the board of directors, management of the Company, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), and the relevant state and local regulatory agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Colorado Springs, Colorado
November 30, 2016